

REMARKS

In view of the election of claims 1, 3, 4 and 17 in the action, the applicant agrees to the election without traverse. Claims 1, 3, 4 and 17 are identified in the action as being allowed.

Claims 14-16 were withdrawn by way of the election. The applicant has now cancelled claims 14-16 in the amendment to the claims in order to place this application in condition for allowance.

Therefore, as a result of the allowed claims and now the cancelled claims, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that every pending claim in the present application be allowed and the application be passed to issue.

If any issues remain that may be resolved by a telephone or facsimile communication with the applicants' attorney, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the numbers shown below.

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